GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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DISEASES AWARENESS IN SCHOOL SYLLABUS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether courses for awareness about various serious diseases including cancer have been included in the school syllabus;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) has suggested for including cancer awareness in the school syllabus for spreading awareness about cancer;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken in the regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b) National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has included specific age appropriate content on Health Education in the school syllabi aiming to develop understanding and awareness about various kinds of diseases among students of primary, upper primary and secondary classes. The content on diseases is also discussed in detail in the textbook of Biology for Class XII, Lesson-8, Human Health and Disease. It includes detailed content related to common diseases in humans, Immunity, AIDS, Cancer, Drugs and Alcohol Abuse.

(c) All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) has made no suggestion for including cancer awareness in the school syllabus for spreading awareness about cancer.

(d) & (e) Do not arise.